

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: There are approximately 327,000 veterans residing in Minnesota, 153,000 of whom are of working

age; and

WHEREAS: There are over 20,000 Minnesotans presently serving in the United States Armed Forces, including

active duty, National Guard, and Reserve forces; and

WHEREAS: Service members receive extensive skills training in a broad range of technical areas that correlate

directly to civilian occupations, and as a result of their military experience have gained leadership and management perspectives that are invaluable to employers in both the public and private

sectors; and

WHEREAS: Veterans have the ability and enthusiasm to tackle new challenges based on intensive skills

training, leadership training, and experience gained through military service; and

WHEREAS: Veterans are intelligent, resourceful leaders who have produced positive results in the most

difficult environments, bringing the skills and experience necessary to make Minnesota's

workforce stronger; and

WHEREAS: Veterans returning from deployments face higher unemployment rates and experience more

challenges entering the workforce and advancing in their careers than the general population; and

WHEREAS: Returning veterans constitute the "Next Greatest Generation" of leaders and workers for

Minnesota and the nation; and

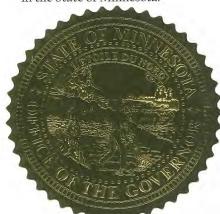
WHEREAS: The 13th Annual Minnesota Veterans Career Fair, the largest of its kind in the state, will be July 24,

from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Earle Brown Heritage Center in Brooklyn Center, MN.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2019, as:

HIRE A VETERAN MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this $28^{\rm th}\,$ day of June.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE